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Topic: If the foundations are destroyed what can the righteous do?

Texts: Psalms 11:1-7

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This psalm records the well-intentioned, but faithless advice of David's friends when he was a fugitive from King Saul. In today's era, many foundations are being destroyed, such as Christian values, morals, ethics, etc. The specific question in verse three (If the foundations are destroyed, what can the righteous do?) catches our attention and guides today's teaching.

David's friends advised him, "Flee as a bird to your mountain." Perhaps his friends meant well, but he knew it was the wrong thing to do. No matter how well-intentioned his friends were, they gave him the advice of fear. The advice of fear couldn't stand with the position of trust David had in the LORD. David's response was exhibiting the trust he had in God regardless of the critical situation he was in. When we think about our problems, the advice of fear often overwhelms us; When the advice of fear comes upon us, we can only arrive at the answer of faith by spending time with the LORD; David recognized God's presence in heaven and in his holy temple. We are called to trust what the Lord can do through us rather than what we can do as human beings during trials. Fleeing is not a sin but in some specific situations is an act of distrust in the Lord, when we do so, we accommodate ourselves with foundations which are destroyed, as Christians we shouldn't validate what the world is applying to our lives, we must trust and stand by what the Lord says and stay bold about it.

Beloved ones let's consider the greatness of God, the care of God, and the vision of God; it all outweighs the danger. When things go sideways, when foundations are destroyed let's answer with faith as David did.